

Abstract

The invention relates to 17-methylene steroids, process for their production and pharmaceutical compositions that contain these compounds.

The compounds according to the invention have a hybrid-type profile of action in the sense that they act as inhibitors of 5 α -reductase and simultaneously as gestagens. They are therefore suitable for treating diseases that are the result of elevated androgen levels in certain organs and tissues in men and women. Together with other hormonal substances, such as an estrogen, testosterone or a strong androgen, the compounds according to the invention are suitable as contraceptive agents for women and for men.

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